

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

VOL. 21, NO. 13.

CLEVELAND, TENN. MAY 24, 1930.

5c per copy, \$1.50 per year

GET READY TO COME TO THE 25TH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CHURCH OF GOD OCTOBER 20--26, 1930.

COMMUNION OF THE BLOOD AND BODY OF CHRIST —THE CUP OF DEVILS VS THE CUP OF THE LORD

J. P. Hughes

"The cup of blessing which we bless is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break is it not the communion of the body of Christ? For we being many are one bread and one body: for we are all partakers of that one bread. Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and cup of devils: ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table, and the table of devils." 1 Cor. 10:16, 17, 21.

The Scripture verses quoted above that we will use for a text show that there is either holy communion or communion with devils; and that the cup of devils is opposed to the cup of the Lord, therefore, one cannot partake of the cup of blessing and have communion with devils. There is mutual fellowship and communion between the devil and those who serve him, just as there is holy communion between Christ and His followers. Paul spoke of some who offered sacrifice to devils and shows that idol worship is devil worship. To partake of a wine feast where a libation was first poured to an idol made one to have fellowship and communion with devils, just as believing participation of the Lord's supper gives fellowship with Christ.

The "Lord's supper" was instituted by the Lord Himself on the night that He ate the passover with His disciples prior to His crucifixion the next day. The law of keeping the passover ended at the cross and is no longer in effect, but the Lord's supper or communion of the blood and body of Christ, will be in effect till He comes again, and must be observed by all who would have fellowship and communion with Him. This shows the importance of the Lord's supper and as it brings us into fellowship with Christ and each other, is it not logical to believe that the more we participate in holy communion, the stronger our fellowship will be with Christ and each other?

The passover feast was only an annual celebration, but let us remember that the Lord's supper is not the passover and was not instituted till after Jesus had kept the passover with His disciples. The new supper supersedes the old feast and the time to partake of it was not meant to be annual, but frequent. "For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do show the Lord's death till he come." 1 Cor. 11:26. This statement of Paul shows that there is no set time for the communion of the blood and body of Christ and that we should partake of it often in commemoration of the death of our Lord.

The fact that Jesus ate the passover supper with His disciples but did not partake of the communion of His blood and body, shows that He abrogated the passover as fulfilled in Himself. The unleavened bread and fruit of the vine were used in the Lord's supper as they were in the passover supper, but not in the same manner, nor for the same purpose. There were four cups, or probably five, used in connection with the passover feast, but only one was used at the institution of the Lord's supper.

The passover supper began with a blessing over a cup of wine mixed with water, which the head of the passover company and those with him drank. Then the roasted lamb, unleavened bread and bitter herbs, with other elements of the passover, were set out, and when the head and the rest of the company had dipped a portion of the bitter herbs into the sop and ate, another cup of wine was brought. At this time children were allowed to ask the meaning of the passover, and the second cup was passed around. Then the head of the company repeated the commemorative words explaining the purpose of the feast. He then broke the bread and gave thanks over it and all took portions and dipped into the sop and ate. Then they ate of the lamb and a third cup, called "the cup of blessing" was brought. A fourth cup followed, called "the cup of the Hallel," (song) after which the fifth cup, called "the

great Hallel," might follow.

This procedure was doubtless followed by our Lord at the last passover supper and being the head of the company, He of course ate with them as his own statement proves. "With desire I have desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer." Luke 22:15.

The institution of the Lord's supper following in connection with the last passover makes it a little difficult to separate the two. In the narrative given by some of the gospel writers, they appear to be the same, but when the Scriptures are harmonized, it is clearly shown that they were separate and that the manner of procedure and purpose of the Lord's supper is not the same as that of the passover. The narrative given in the gospel by St. Luke shows that the Lord's supper followed the passover and that the cup of the second supper was not identical with that of the first. "Likewise also (as He had done with the bread) the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you." Luke 22:20. Notice the writer says, "After supper," which could only refer to the passover supper. It could not mean the Lord's supper for His supper is not complete without the cup of blessing which is the communion of His blood, just as the passover could not be complete without the cups connected with it. We notice also that a specific cup is designated by the term "this cup," another cup different from the passover cup or the one used at the passover supper. The contents of the cup was doubtless the fruit of the vine that was used in the passover supper, but the occasion was different, therefore, it was a different cup, which was the communion of the blood of Christ.

That Jesus did not drink of the cup that He gave to His disciples at the institution of the Lord's supper is clearly shown in Mark's narrative of the occasion. "Verily, I say unto you, I will drink no more of the fruit of the vine until that day that I drink it new in the kingdom of God." Mark 14:25. These are the words of Jesus when He gave them the cup of the communion of His blood. "I will drink no more" signifies that He had drunk of the passover cup but would not drink of the communion of His own blood. He did not shed His blood for Himself, but for others, therefore, it would not be proper for Him to drink of the cup of blessing that was the communion of His blood. Neither would it be proper for Him to eat the bread that was the communion of His body. Some might understand Paul's statement to mean that Jesus drank of the cup at the time He instituted the Lord's Supper because He said, "After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood." 1 Cor. 11:25. According to other Scripture the statement, "when he had supped," means that when the passover supper was over Jesus took the bread that represents His body and gave to those present, also the cup of blessing which is the communion of His blood. The word "supped" comes from the Greek "dipnon" which means "to dine, feast, or evening meal." This proves that when Paul said Jesus took the cup ("when He had supped") he meant after He had eaten the passover supper, therefore the statement does not mean after He had supped from the cup used in the Lord's supper. The Syriac version gives the statement as follows: "So after they had supped (Gr. feasted), he gave also the cup."

The purpose of the passover was to commemorate the deliverance that came to the children of Israel when the destroying angel passed over them in Egypt. The passover deliverance was once for all wrought at the exodus, and the annual feast revived it in the soul of the believing Israelite.

The purpose of the Lord's supper is (Please Look On Page Three)

3 Saved, 15 Sanctified, 13 Received Holy Ghost

TARPON SPRINGS, Fla.—Sunday night, April 27, we saw the close of the most successful revival Tarpon Springs has had in several years. Several received the Holy Ghost before the meeting began and the good Lord continued to bless throughout the entire three weeks.

Seventeen were saved, fifteen sanctified, eighteen received the Holy Ghost, fifteen were baptized in water, and eight taken into the church with more to come in later.

Brother and Sister W. B. Sumner of Lakeland, worked faithfully at their posts every night. Brother Sumner delivered powerful and inspiring messages filled with Bible truths. Sister Sumner was at her best in the altar service, praying sinners thru to victory. Anyone who is looking for a good evangelist would do well to write Brother and Sister Sumner.—Faithfully, A. M. Sapp, pastor.

26 Saved, 18 Sanctified, 12 Received Holy Ghost, 15 Added To Church

WALHALLA, S. C.—We have just closed a revival at Walhalla Town church. The good Lord surely blessed. Twenty-six were saved, eighteen sanctified, twelve received the Holy Ghost, and fifteen were added to the Church. Sunday night, the last night of the meeting, we observed the Lord's Supper and feet washing. Brother J. C. Childers of Blacksburg did the preaching. He surely is a man of God that doesn't mind preaching the Word.

The Lord is also blessing at Greenwood, S. C. We took two in the church at Greenwood last Saturday night. One of them is a preacher by the name of H. H. Dalton.

I am saved, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost. Praise God and the Lamb forever. I am looking for Jesus to come—Your humble brother in the Master's service, C. E. McAbree, pastor, 3 Ballenger St.

11 RECEIVED THE HOLY GHOST

DAISY, Tenn.—We have just closed a three weeks' meeting at Daisy. The Lord surely did bless. Nineteen were saved, nineteen sanctified, eleven received the Holy Ghost, ten followed the Lord in water baptism, and eight came into the church. Brother Jim Jeffery did the preaching and the Lord blessed His Word. If anyone wants a good revival, they could not go wrong in getting Brother Jeffery for he is a man of God.—Edward Dedmon.

My Savior's Love

Mrs. Cobb Dennard

When all alone in thoughtfulness,
My Saviour's love steals like a kiss
Upon my soul and brings such joy
That the world cannot afford.

When storm clouds rise and tempests roll
Like waves of sorrow over my soul,
My Saviour speaks and brings a calm
That the world cannot afford.

When Satan's darts at me are hurled
And the tempter's flags are all unfurled,
My Saviour's voice to my soul brings joy
That the world cannot afford.

When I'm forsaken by father and mother
My Saviour sticks more closely than a brother
And heals each grief and gives such rest
That the world cannot afford.

TEXAS WORKING FOR GOD

BROWNFIELD, Tex.—The revival fires are burning all over this district. I have just returned from the Slaton church where ten received the Holy Ghost. Brother G. E. Anthony was at Brownfield where five received the Holy Ghost and other experiences. From McCamey comes the report from pastor, Walter Rampey, that they are in a revival and folks are getting thru on all lines. The next place will be Lubbock church where we will help Brother Anthony until the convention the 23rd. Then Brother Kile, state evangelist, will conduct the meeting as long as God leads.—A. S. Eason, district pastor.

KEEPS ME DAY AND NIGHT

CARBUR, Fla.—I just praise God this evening for what He is to me. Last week our baby was very low. I thought surely he would take pneumonia. I would pray and it seemed that the Lord would bless. I felt that I needed help so I prayed and asked God to send someone here to help me pray. He did. Sister J. A. Pitts and Sister N. Shinholser came. We began to sing and praise the Lord. The Lord blessed us and healed the baby.

He has healed me many times. I just cannot begin to praise Him enough. I thank Him for this great plan of salvation. I thank Him for the time the light shone thru. I accepted it. I am so glad for the time that my sins were forgiven. I truly thank God for that precious blood which sanctified me wholly and for the sweet Holy Ghost which keeps me every day and night. Pray for me and my family.—Your sister thru the blood of Jesus, Mrs. M. P. Booth, Box 156.

HE SAVED ME

JOHNSTON CITY, Ill.—I am glad today finds me a walking and talking light for Jesus. I am praising God for the great Highway of Holiness. We have just closed a successful revival with Brother D. R. Moreland and daughters in charge. God showed the sinners what He could do one night about 8:15 when the power of God fell and the sinners fell at the altar seeking the Lord. I am glad that I was one of the sinners who sought the Lord that night. He saved me. Bless His name forever. We have started a young people's meeting with several in roll. We pray and want those who know how to pray to pray for us that we may press forward and be a soul winner for Jesus.—Your brother in Christ, Earl Jent.

THE GROWTH PREVIOUS TO SANCTIFICATION

S. W. Latimer, General Overseer

When we teach that growth in grace is not the work of heart-cleansing that growth can never sanctify the soul. It is then asked, Is there any growth before full sanctification? We say yes. Then it is asked, Does that growth in anywise purify the soul? We say no. It is asked, What is the nature of the growth previous to sanctification? I will try to answer according to Scripture.

The Scripture also locates growth in grace after complete purification and never before it. Some may deny this assertion but search and see for yourself. Let me refer you to Job 17:9. "The righteous also shall hold on his way, and he that hath clean hands shall be stronger and stronger"—cleanness before strength. Isa. 29:19. "The meek also shall increase their joy in the Lord"—meekness and freedom before pride, before increase. 1 Peter 2:1-3. "Wherefore laying aside all malice and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings, as newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby: If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious"—complete cleansing from all malice, all guilt and all deceit comes before growth, and I am afraid this scripture will bring condemnation to thousands. Think about the malice, hatred, envy and backbiting among holiness people. It is sad to think that in all probability thousands don't know the real blessing of sanctification.

2 Pet. 3:14-18. "Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless. And account that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you; as also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction. Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness. But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ"—but "without spot" comes before "grow in grace."

The Word of God teaches that sanctification should occur soon after conversion and it places growth in its normal place—after inbred sin is purged out. The growth that is previous to heart-purity doesn't in any degree cleanse the soul from inbred sin. True, there may be in the converted person a great many moral improvements, in manners, conduct, habits, tastes, information, etc., but the seed of sin, the inherited depravity of the soul, is in nowise destroyed by growth. How do we know that growth never purifies the heart? Because there is not a single verse of Scripture that even hints that growth cleanses. Then again, heart-cleansing is an act of God, but how can we grow into the divine act? Then again, if growth cleanses from the least of depravity it can cleanse from all depravity. Again, it is the blood of Jesus that washes from sin, but if growth can in any degree wash the soul, then we do not need the blood of Jesus to do it. And finally no one ever experienced that growth removed the nature corruption of the heart.

The growth before sanctification is not growth in holiness, but a growth in preparedness for holiness. The converted soul has month after month, and year after year a growing sense of soul needs. Soon after the conversion the believer thinks that he can gradually overcome and remove the ill temper and evil tendencies of his heart, but after a while he has a growing sense of his utter helplessness to make his heart pure. He may have deeper views of his heart's wants; he may get wider views of Christian duty; he may feel more the claims of God's Word; he may, item by item,

consecrate his all to God, but this growth is a preparation for being sanctified. The preparation for heart-purity is gradual, though it "should be brief." But the reception of heart-purity is by simple trust and is instantaneous. The growth previous to sanctification is mostly a growing sense of our soul needs. It is a growth of wants more than a growth of supplies. It is not so much increase of grace as it is increase of hunger for grace. It is not so much growth in grace as it is growth in conviction for holiness. Those believers who are not wholly sanctified do not really grow in grace as much as they think they do. They have grown in many ways, but pin them down to the naked facts of growth in the grace of Jesus. Are they more tender, more patient, more gentle, truthful and meek, peaceful and loving than they were the first week or month of their conversion? Ninety-five in every one hundred will say no. Millions of Christians live purer the first month of their conversion than they do afterwards, "until sanctified." The fact is, the great majority lose some of their first love instead of adding to it. The converted soul grows only by pressing after holiness.

There is a vast amount of growth in various things which is not growth in grace. Men may grow in Hebrew, Greek and scholarship and yet lose grace. Men may learn how to work up church enterprises and run ecclesiastical machinery, and learn how to do many so-called righteous works and yet be drifting away from their first love all the time. A preacher may grow in eloquence, in learning, in fame, in skill, and in authority and yet not grow in grace. There are many so-called great, big preachers whom God has listed from lowly life, who have grown and grown, but are not half as humble, gentle, simple, affectionate, and happy as they were when plain country boys in their first love. There is a great deal of head work in the church in our day, which is accompanied with heart-dwarfing and starving the fountains of lowly love. Yes, there are many kinds of growths that are not growth in grace. I believe that when a man is justified by faith he is then a child of God. He is added to the family and becomes an heir. By faith in the shed blood of Jesus Christ he can be sanctified, then with praises and thanksgiving in his heart he can receive the Holy Ghost. He is then ready to grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. I do not believe that those who backbite, criticize, and take a hand in murdering the influence of their brothers and sisters can retain their experience of sanctification. It is a sad picture to look upon those who were once saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and their hearts bubbling over with love, now sitting by the wayside singing, "Where is the blessedness I knew when first I saw the Lord?" where is the soul's refreshing view of Jesus and His Word? They will get up and shake hands with you and the first thing they will do is begin to tell you how some brother used to preach and what great victory he had and what a good man he was. You pin them down closely and they will tell you that they are not as close to God now as they used to be. Why not be honest, repent and get reclaimed and then see how your brother looks and how you feel toward him. Within my travels I find thousands that are on victory side and they are still blessing and praising God, and some of them for twenty years have held up the high standard of salvation, denouncing all worldliness, and in fact, standing for our long cherished principles. These people are those who are overcoming the world, and will inherit all things some day.

"He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son." Rev. 21:7.

The Church of God Evangel

Official Organ of the Church of God
Published weekly by the
CHURCH OF GOD PUBLISHING HOUSE
Cleveland, Tennessee

M. W. LETSINGER, Editor & Publisher
Phone 21

PUBLISHING COMMITTEE
T. L. McLain George Lemons
I. C. Barrett E. M. Ellis
W. D. Childers

SUBSCRIPTION RATE
One Year \$1.50
Six Months75
Single Copy05

SPECIAL NOTICE
When you renew your subscription please say "renewal." When you subscribe, please say "new subscription."

INFORMATION.—If you change your address you should promptly notify us giving the old and new address.

Always write names and addresses PLAINLY. If we fail to get your name or address right, please notify us and we will take pleasure in making the correction.

We will do our best to keep from making mistakes, but if we make a mistake we will take pleasure in correcting it if you notify us.

We invite all the workers to send as reports of interest from the battlefield, if nothing else, a postal card telling where you are this week.

Help to make the Evangel a medium of information as well as a spiritual blessing.

Entered as second-class mail matter March 1, 1910, at Cleveland, Tennessee, under the act of March 3, 1879.

Acceptance for mailing at special rate of postage provided for in section 1103, Act of October 3, 1917. Authorized Aug. 28, 1918.

MAY 24, 1930.

EDITORIALS

We are truly glad to get the many good reports of the revival work that is being done in the churches. This is truly a good year and the Lord is graciously blessing the efforts that are put forth. We will get each report in as soon as we can. Watch for them.

Only a few more short months until time for the General Assembly. I wonder if everyone is doing his best in working for the Master. Remember that time lost is gone forever. Are we doing our best in securing subscriptions to the Church of God Evangel?

If we fail to get your state convention or camp meeting properly announced do not fail to send us a correction. We do not intentionally slight anyone or show special favors to any. We are striving from day to day to do all we do as unto the Lord.

Don't fail to give the Church of God Evangel a special place in your convention. Many of the conventions last year sent nice lists of subscriptions and we shall expect many more to do likewise this year. Watch for the reports.

We will expect each overseer to appoint some one to speak for the Evangel and to take subscriptions for her at the convention or camp meeting. We hope that someone will get the paper on your heart and mention it to your state overseer as he has so many things to think of and look after he might forget it. We are sure that no convention or camp meeting would be complete if the Evangel should be neglected. Renew before your paper expires that you may not miss an issue.

Since last issue Brother U. D. Tidwell sent seven subscriptions to the Evangel; S. J. Wood, five; W. J. Welch, five; W. H. Swift, five; Mrs. J. H. Bernard, five; R. L. Collette, four; J. W. Culppepper, four; J. M. Kile, four. We have received in all this week 96 subscriptions and renewals. Many thanks to each one who helped.

REJOICE AND BE EXCEEDINGLY GLAD

FT. WHITE, Fla.—We praise God for the Holy Ghost and fire. April 28 the Lord gave us a good time. There must have been over two hundred of the white saints present with Brother U. D. Tidwell. One white brother got under the power and you should have seen him leaping and running and praising God. Brother S. C. Chambers surely did some good preaching. He used for a text St. John 3:19. When Brother Chambers finished preaching, Nicodemus saw he needed to be born again. We surely enjoyed the sweet music. Brother Tidwell certainly has a large choir of young saints. It seems that the men had the shouting and the women the singing. They gave us a good collection which amounted to \$20.00. The colored saints gave us \$5.43, making a total of \$25.43. We surely enjoyed having them. Our building is 35x60 and it was too small to hold the people. Pray for the colored Church of God people at this place.—Leo Cooper, pastor, 132 Wash St.

PEARL OF PROPHECY

BY
J. L. GOINS

This is a very interesting little book of fourteen chapters, dealing principally with the prophecy of Daniel and Revelation. Price 50 cents each. The Church of God Publishing House, Cleveland, Tenn.

NOTICES & SPECIALS

A revival begins at Wareboro, Ga. Sunday, June 1st, with our pastor, Brother J. B. Weeks, in charge, assisted by others. There will be all day meeting and dinner on the ground. The neighboring churches and community are invited to attend. Bring a full basket and expect a great refreshing from the Lord.—Clyde Jefford, clerk.

The Tennessee State Convention will convene at the Church of God, N. Sixth Ave., Knoxville, Tenn., July 2-6, 1930.—H. N. Scoggins, State Overseer.

To the Churches of God in the Pulaski District: This is to notify you that Brother George Douglas of Radford, Va. has been appointed district superintendent of the Sunday Schools in the Pulaski, Va. District for the remaining part of the Assembly year. I request the Sunday Schools to take offerings to help him visit the churches, especially when he visits your school.—Your brother, W. B. Davis, District Pastor.

The Jesup District meeting will convene at Odum, Ga., beginning Friday night, May 30, and continuing until June 1. There will be all day meeting and dinner on the ground. We hope to have each church on the district well represented. We expect the clerk and treasurer of each church to be present and ready to make a report of his church work for the year. We hope to have several good speeches on different subjects. We expect our State Overseer to be in charge of the meeting. Everybody come and bring a lunch. Let us have a good feast from Father's table on high.—C. A. Culppepper, pastor, E. E. O'Neal, clerk and treasurer.

We have just closed a revival at Valdosta with wonderful success. We are now in a meeting at Barrett, a new field of labor. Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterians, and Catholics are seeking a deeper experience, repentance and more. We covet your prayers for lost souls and this field of labor.—Evangelist Clyde C. Cox, Forsyth, Ga.

In the Winter months we had a notice in the Evangel stating that we would only evangelize until May. But after we prayed and talked over the situation, we have decided to continue our evangelistic work until the Assembly, especially for one purpose, God blesses our labor and musical talents by giving us lost souls for our labor and causing people to come out to hear the Word that never would come before. We have our beds, bedding, cooking outfit, and everything to avoid being any trouble to any one. We're at your service.—The Rexrode Happy Band, R. L. Rexrode, Evangelist, Monroe, Va.

To the members of the C. of G. B. T. S. Y. P. E. of Tenn.: All dues must be in by June 1.—Hooper Maxwell, Rt. 1, Morrison, Tenn., State Treas.

We would like to know the whereabouts and spiritual condition of the following. We want to hear from them by July 31, 1930 or their names will be dropped from the list. Florence Price, Leuelia Code, J. B. Tinsley, Shelly Johnson, Brother Hollie Show, Sister Hollie Show, Janie Woolsey, Josie Lee Cheeks, Vera Walker, Donnie Bush, Adline Jarvis.—Church of God, Dunn, La., W. R. Fowler, Jr., Pastor, Amanda L. Fuller, clerk.

We will have home coming and children's day at Crane Eater, Ga. the second Sunday in June. The church is five miles east of Calhoun, Ga. We want all who will to come and be with us and enjoy a feast from the Lord. Some of the brethren from Cleveland will be with us, also some of the children from Cleveland will render a nice program which you cannot afford to miss. All come, bring a well filled basket, and spend the day. Also let us all be prepared to help the orphans. Don't forget the day, second Sunday in June, 9:30 o'clock.—Humbly, J. L. Underwood, pastor.

To the people of Mississippi: We have begun a meeting in Clarksdale, Miss., one of the best towns in the delta. We have Brother G. D. McNair and Brother S. S. Monroe to help us. We are also expecting our state overseer and wife, Brother and Sister Heath, to be with us next week. If you are interested in the salvation of souls and the advancement of the Church of God in this city, we will appreciate it if you can help us in a

financial way as well as your prayers. We can truthfully say with Peter and John, Silver and gold have I none, but such as I have I give unto thee.—A. V. Beaubie, state evangelist, Clarksdale, Miss., Gen. Del.

There will be an all day service at the Church of God at Oak Grove church the fifth Sunday in June. Everybody is invited to come and be with us on that day. We are expecting a great feast from our Father's table. We are inviting everybody to come and enjoy the blessings of the Lord. There will also be dinner on the ground. Come one and all. We certainly appreciate everybody's presence. Pray much for our service.—Mr. J. A. Mortes, Rt. 2, Verbena, Ala.

To the Churches of God in W. Va.:

This is to notify you that I do hereby announce the appointment of Carl G. Carder as State Superintendent of Sunday Schools in West Virginia. His position will be so construed as to invest in him authority to advise and assist in the furtherance of the work throughout the state as well as to have a general oversight of same.

Brother Carder was lately appointed as State Secretary of the C. of G. Y. P. E. and now with the above appointment we present unto you in the person of Brother Carder a very high type of a young man and minister of the Gospel of Christ. We previously explained that he had resigned a position involving a straight salary of \$200.00 per month with commission amounting to around \$300.00 per month. This is a worthy sacrifice for the Gospel of Christ. Brother Carder is clean in habits and practice of life and we feel will be a blessing to young people and Sunday Schools in West Virginia. There being no salary or provision for expenses attached with the above appointments, it will become the duty of the congregations to which he shall speak to take an offering at each place he shall visit to apply on the expense relative to his travel and work in the behalf of the Sunday School.

We hardly think it necessary to appoint a list of district Sunday School superintendents as it is now late in the year. However, as Sunday School work is a part and involves a part of the work of the church we feel it a duty and an interest of each district pastor to assist in the furtherance of this important work. We feel sure Brother Carder will work in cooperation with the district pastors and in return we feel equally certain that they will cooperate with him for the furtherance and promotion of the Sunday School work in general. Brother Carder will, when ready, announce his visits to the local churches where he will address the fathers and mothers and young folks in the interest and behalf of the Sunday School. We hope for advancement in our Sunday School as it is a very great and important work. Let us all cooperate and expect God's blessings upon the Sunday School. Many times a good Sunday School results in a good revival and a strong church in the end.—Faithfully, E. C. Clark, State Overseer.

GET READY FOR THE BIG STATE CAMP MEETING

We have found the place! We have traveled the great state of Mississippi from Alabama line on the east to the Mississippi River on the west and from the Gulf of Mexico on the south almost to the Tennessee line on the north, over hills and thru the dales, across the prairie and in the delta, over good roads and some of the worse we have ever seen, sometimes in cars and sometimes in buggy, some on the railroads and two or three times when we were stuck in the mud we thought we might try an airplane if we had one. By now we are well acquainted with the state and can give you a good description of real estate and people too. We have found the most hospitable, big-hearted folks we have ever met. They are also anxious for the real Gospel and ready to receive it. This is truly a ripe field. Forty churches and not a single one in town. Why don't some of you red hot evangelists come over here? The mosquitoes are the scariest things we have so far except money and we are looking for both pretty soon.

As we have gone from place to place we have tried not to withhold our eyes from any good thing. The burden of a great camp meeting for this state has been on us since coming here as state overseer, but it seemed we were going to fail to get a suitable location until a few nights ago we drove up to a church. Our guide started down through a little strip of woods. I asked, What in the wide world would anyone want to live back here for? His reply was, Just wait a minute and you will see. About that time our eyes began to enlarge as well as our imagination as we began to pass camp houses. Just ahead in the distance we could see a large two story building, and then a large mineral spring containing eleven different minerals, in a large beautiful grove. I asked what it all meant

and was told it was an abandoned health resort. There we found the Foxes in the large two story hotel, not the sly four footed foxes but the big hearted two footed Church of God Foxes. About the first thing I asked Brother Fox was, How about this place for our state camp meeting? His answer was, You have it free of charge. I then asked Brother Clark how about his big two pole tent for the meeting. He said, Yes.

By now you are doubtless wondering where it is and when will it be. The location is two and one half miles east of Stewart, Miss. on the Winona Highway at the Church of God known as William Springs. TIME—Sept. 12 continuing ten days. Get your camping outfit ready. The camp houses are there free. If you desire furnished rooms, you can get them for a nominal sum from Sister Nettie Fox. We will also have a good restaurant on the ground and some groceries. Come now and let's enjoy a ten days' feast. For further information write me at Morgantown or Sister Nettie Fox, Stewart, Miss.—S. J. Heath, Overseer of Mississippi.

Garfield Byrd, J. W. Hamilton, and O. F. Baker are no longer ministers or members of the Church of God.—H. W. Poteat, Overseer of Pa.

REQUESTS

I ask prayer for my boy. He is having chills. I know God can heal. I have no one to call in to help me pray. Everyone who reads this don't forget to pray for God to heal him. Also pray for my children to be saved before it is too late.—Lucy Snyder, Broomfield, Colo.

Please pray for our little meeting over here between Walnut Ridge and Egypt at a bus station called Bessie Road. If the Lord leads a real Church of God preacher this way, please come. The Lord is blessing. Eight in one family are saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. The end is not yet. If you want to write here, write A. J. Candem. Please pray for us.—Your sister, Mary Lynch, Rt. 3, Box 32, Walnut Ridge, Ark.

I am not satisfied with the life I am living. All who read this pray for my husband and me that we may get this good blessing. Pray for my dear father that he will turn his back on the devil and his face toward God and make a start to heaven before it is too late. Pray for me.—A sister seeking the blessing, Ida Vinson, Rt. 2, Box 73, Cookeville, Tenn.

I ask every one to pray for the healing of my body. I suffer so much. I think it must be rheumatism. Also pray for my husband, mother, two sisters, and five brothers. Pray for them to be healed and saved. Pray for me that I may stand true and be ready to go at any time.—Your sister in Jesus, Dora Stringer, Rt. 2, Canton, Ga.

Pray for me that the dear Lord will heal me of indigestion and kidney trouble. I know the Lord can heal because He has healed me.—Your brother in Christ, Geo. A. Bishop, Rt. 3, Thomaston, Ga.

I want all who read this to please pray a special prayer for my husband. Pray for God to save him. If I do not get prayer I cannot stand. I am doing all I know to stand but if God doesn't undertake for me I cannot in my weakness. Pray for me.—A sister in Him, Alice Hall, High Springs, Fla.

To the Church of God saints everywhere who believe in fasting and prayer: My husband, W. S. Ross, a preacher in the Church of God, is very sick at the present. He has been sick almost all Winter and Spring. He had to give up his church at Monclo, W. Va. on account of sickness. Pray for God to heal my husband. We remain faithful to God and His church.—Mrs. W. S. Ross, East Lyon, W. Va.

I ask all the saints who read this to pray for my sister. We believe the Lord will heal her. She has been afflicted for a long time. Pray for me to stay humble.—Your sister in Christ, Sallie Cockrell, Indianola, Miss.

I am a wretched backslider that now fully realizes to be saved is to be happy beyond measure. Pray for me to be saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost.—One who wants to be saved, Mrs. L. C. Taylor, Rt. 6, Box 675, Jacksonville, Fla.

Please join me in prayer for my thirty-one year old son. He is a drunkard. If anyone feels led to fast and pray for him, please obey the Lord.—Your sister, Mrs. W. A. Beverly, Thomaston, Ga.

Please pray a special prayer for Sister Bessie Ball, wife of J. L. Ball, Donna, Texas. She is very low with T. B., just alive. She wanted prayer requested thru the Evangel. Won't somebody press thru and touch the hem of His garment in her behalf? If Brothers Drake and E. W. Williams reads this, they will remember what condition she was in at the Texas camp meeting last August. She is much worse now, only living by faith. Pray, pray.—Your sister, Eudora Pearson, % Guss North, Rt. 1, Edinburg, Tex.

MISSISSIPPI STATE CAMP MEETING
Begins Sept. 12, continuing ten days
Williams Springs Church near Stewart, Miss.
S. J. Heath, State Overseer.

TENNESSEE STATE CONVENTION
Will Convene at Knoxville, Tenn., July 2-6,
H. N. Scoggins, State Overseer

TEXAS STATE CAMP MEETING
Will Convene at Weatherford, Texas, Aug. 7-17
S. J. Wood, State Overseer

MISSISSIPPI STATE CONVENTION
Will Convene At
Morgantown, Miss., August 29-31
S. J. Heath, State Overseer.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE CONVENTION
Will Convene at Somerset, Pa., June 19-22
Followed by a seven days' camp meeting
H. W. Poteat, State Overseer.

SOUTH LOUISIANA STATE CONVENTION
Will Convene at Shepherd's Fold church,
Covington, La., July 10-13.
E. E. Simmons, State Overseer.

LOUISIANA STATE CAMP MEETING
Will Convene at Epss, La., August 7-17
E. E. Simmons, State Overseer.

MISSOURI-KANSAS State Convention
Will Convene at Desloge, Mo. June 19-22, 1930
W. J. Milligan, State Overseer

N. and S. DAKOTA STATE CONVENTION
Will Convene At
Plaza, N. Dak. July 2-6 Inclusive
Paul H. Walker, State Overseer

THE GEORGIA STATE ASSEMBLY
Will Convene at Fitzgerald, Ga., July 3-5.
Camp Meeting Convenes Immediately After State
Assembly at Same Location
T. L. McLain, State Overseer.

ILLINOIS - INDIANA
Camp Meeting and State Convention
Will Convene at Olney, Ill., June 4-15, 1930
E. L. Simmons, Overseer of Illinois
C. H. Standifer, Overseer of Indiana

ALABAMA STATE ASSEMBLY
Will Convene at Boaz, Ala., May 29-31
J. C. Padgett, State Overseer

NORTH CAROLINA STATE ASSEMBLY
Will Convene at Belmont, N. C., July 3-6
John L. Stephens, State Overseer

MONTANA STATE ASSEMBLY
Will Convene at Big Timber, Mont.,
June 25-29 Inc.
M. L. Lowe, State Overseer

FLORIDA STATE CAMP MEETING
Will Convene at Wimauma, Fla., June 5th to 15th
R. P. Johnson, State Overseer.

MICHIGAN STATE CONVENTION
Convenes at Lake Odessa, Mich., May 29 - June 1
M. P. Cross, State Overseer.

ARIZONA & CALIFORNIA STATE MEETING
Will Convene June 6-8, at Baldwin Park, Calif.
J. H. Ingram, State Overseer.

KENTUCKY STATE ASSEMBLY
Will Convene At
Louisville, Ky., June 5-8—R. H. Bell, Overseer

All who read this please pray for me. Eight weeks ago I fell and hurt my arm very bad. I am trusting the Lord with it. I haven't done anything except pray for it. Pray for my children who are out in sin.—Eliza Mays, Bristol, Tenn.

Pray for my husband's face. He has a red spot on his left cheek under his eye. It looks as if it will be a rose cancer. We trust in God's power and are His children. Pray that this will go away.—Mrs. J. R. Chandler, Bushnell, Fla.

LIGHT ON THE WAY

By Luther A. Richard
A nice book of eighty-two pages just off the press, consists of thirteen of Brother Richard's best sermons on the plan of salvation. 25c each, \$2.50 per dozen.
CHURCH OF GOD PUBLISHING HOUSE
Cleveland, Tennessee

Communion Of The Blood and Body Of Christ

(Continued from page one)

to show His death till He comes again, and this commemoration is holy communion by which we are constantly reminded that Christ is our pasover. He was once for all offered a sacrifice for our redemption, never to be offered again. "By his own blood he entered in ONCE into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us." Heb. 9:12. "ONCE in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself." Heb. 9:26. The communion of the blood and body of Christ that we realize in the Lord's supper brings us into contact with Him and we cannot forget His sacrifice for us, so we feed on Him by faith. The Lord's supper must be observed in memory of Him and for the purpose of showing forth His death or sacrifice for us until He comes. "So Christ was ONCE offered to bear the sins of many." Heb. 9:28. Notice the Scripture says He was offered to bear the SINS (not sin) of many. This shows that Jesus was made a sacrifice for sins in His death and that sins cannot be forgiven by any means other than the sacrifice and shed blood of Jesus. This is what must be remembered in the Lord's supper and those whose sins have not been forgiven cannot participate in the communion of the blood and body of Christ. They may eat the bread and sip from the sacred cup but it will not be holy communion unto them, therefore, they eat and drink "damnation to themselves not discerning the Lord's body." (See 1 Cor. 11:26-30.) The statement of Paul when he said, "Not discerning the Lord's body," signifies that those who eat and drink unworthily do not understand the spiritual meaning of the Lord's supper and do not distinguish the emblems of the Lord's body from common food. Those whose sins are not forgiven have no connection with the Lord and therefore they cannot discern the spiritual meaning of holy communion and if they partake of the elements of the Lord's supper they will invite judgments, such as sickness and death. 1 Cor. 11:29-31.

When Jesus instituted holy communion He showed as clear as the noonday sun that sins are forgiven through and by the shedding of His blood. "And he took the cup and gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, Drink ye all of it, for this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins." Matt. 26:27, 28. The word "remission" comes from the Gr. "aphesis" which means freedom, pardon or forgiveness. This is full proof that Jesus shed His blood to forgive sins and that this fact should be remembered by those who participate in the communion of the blood and body of Christ. Notice carefully that Jesus said, "This is my blood of the new testament which I shed." This statement was made before Jesus had actually shed His blood, nevertheless He spoke as though it were shed even before the crucifixion. Jesus' own statement is given to us in the present tense and indicative mode, and therefore confirms other Scriptures that show that in the plan of salvation Christ was foreordained a sacrifice for sins and that He was "The Lamb slain from the foundation of the world." (See Eph. 1:3-7; 1 Pet. 1:18-20; Rev. 13:8.) In the mind of Christ, the sacrifice for the sins of many was made before man was created, therefore, He could correctly say before His crucifixion, "This is my blood which is shed for the remission of sins." This is proof that although sins were forgiven before Jesus shed His blood, it was done because the plan was perfected before the world began.

Let us notice carefully that Jesus said, "This is my blood which is shed for the remission of sins" (not sin). Some argue that the blood only deals with sin and has no part in the plan of salvation until the believer is sanctified. If that argument is true Jesus was mistaken and the Bible is false, but we are bound to say that the argument is false, and that the Church of God stands for the Bible. The Scriptures prove that our sins are forgiven and we are justified, then as a second work we are sanctified all because Jesus shed His blood. Therefore the entire plan of salvation depends on the shed blood of our Lord. There is no such thing as a bloodless salvation and that teaching should be branded as false doctrine, and rejected.

The "cup of blessing" that we partake of in the Lord's supper is the communion of the blood of Christ, and is a constant reminder of the fact that He shed His blood to forgive sins. This wonderful truth should be the sole thought of our mind when we participate in the sacred celebration of the death of our Lord. If we judge ourselves in this respect and discern clearly the Lord's body, or in other words, if we distinguish the emblems of the blood and body of our Lord from common food and understand its spiritual meaning we will not be judged when we partake. We can then eat and drink worthily and have sweet communion and fellowship with Christ and each other through

Woe Unto You That Are At Ease In Zion

Simmie Tapley
931 E. Washington, St., Phoenix, Ariz.

Woe to you that are at ease in Zion, While the armies of Christ move on, Whose armor the rust is corroding, Whose zeal for the warfare is gone, Whose oil hath leaked low in your vessel, Whose faith is at the point of decay, Who about the affairs of this life are very careful, But are failing Christ's "go ye" to obey.

Woe to you that are at ease in Zion, Whose love for the lost hath declined, And cares of the world eclipsed your vision, Of the work which to you the Master assigned, Who because of the abounding of iniquity, Hath allowed your love to wax cold, And for a little taste of this world, Hath almost your birthright sold.

Woe to you who are drifting on life's ocean, With the tide to — "you know where," To be wrecked by the wild waves' commotion, Against the iceberg of "I do not care," Simply snoozing in the devil's berth, While golden opportunities go slipping by, Dreaming about many things on earth, But alas! in the rapture you can't fly.

Woe to you that are at ease in Zion, While others bear the heat of the day, You camped in the shade with your laurels; "It is vain to labor," you say, Do you know that all our past labors Will not pay for all of our fare, But if to the end we are faithful, Christ will reward us in the air.

Woe to you that are at ease in Zion, Who know not the "signs of the times," Who have no time to read the Bible, Nor understand prophetic lines; Soon "the man of sin will take" the throne, And Jesus Christ will take His bride, But you will be left here all undone, While millions on the clouds do ride.

25 Added to Church

KANNAPOLIS, N. C.—I praise and thank the Lord for full and free salvation, something we know about and can feel in our souls daily. I am glad that one day I humbled myself and paid the price for this blessing. I would not exchange this wonderful blessing for this world and all its riches.

I praise the Lord for the nineteen days' revival held here during the month of April conducted by Sister Helen L. Morrow of Hamilton, Ohio. She was accompanied by Miss Marie Day of Eldorado, Ill., her musician. The Lord surely did bless in a wonderful way. Forty-two were saved, nine sanctified, eight received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and twenty-six were added to the Church of God. Thank the Lord for Sister Morrow and the good sermons she rendered. She was given the full cooperation of the church and the members worked faithfully at the altar. Many people who did not accept Jesus Christ as their personal Savior were convinced that she preached the whole Bible. Our church which will seat approximately four or five hundred would not accommodate the people each evening. Sister Day rendered vocal and musical solos which were enjoyed extensively by the people. The Lord surely does bless her in the musical talent He has given her. We feel that Sister Morrow's being here has edified the church in many ways. Some holiness fighters were aroused and awakened to the fact that the Church of God people were not illiterate because she made illustrations and gave proven facts which proved the Church of God is right. Sister Morrow has a hearty welcome to the Church of God here at all times.

Pray for the Church of God at Kannapolis that she may still rise and shine for our blessed Redeemer. Also pray for me that I may stay in the center of His will and be ready when He comes or calls.—Your sister in Christ, Carrie Almond, 902 Elm St.

The Walls Fell In

We have just closed a meeting at Seneca, S. C. God wonderfully blessed. Many have said that nothing could be done at Seneca, it was too hard, but praise God there is no place too hard for our Father whom we are serving. The devil tried to run me off at first

participation of the Lord's supper. It will also prove a physical blessing to us instead of the judgment of sickness or death.

Let us participate often—but worthily—in the communion of the blood and body of our Lord. Amen.

District Meeting Booneville, Miss.

Our district meeting at Booneville, Miss. was a success. All the evangelists and exhorters were not present but we had our State Overseer, Bro. S. J. Heath, and wife with us. They are a power for God. Brother S. V. Grimes and Sister Rickett spoke on "Love" Friday the 18th. Souls were stirred. One Methodist steward got sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Bro. Heath brought the message Friday night on "Loyalty and Obedience." It stirred up the minds of the saints and touched the hearts of the congregation. Sister Heath played the piano under the mighty power of God and there was shouting, dancing and talking in tongues. Saturday, April 19th, Brother Heath instructed the saints. I don't see how one could have gone away with a confused mind about the Church of God, baptism, and many other subjects that were in question. The Lord did wonderfully bless. Saturday night Brother Heath brought the message. The Lord blessed. Sunday morning we had a good program by the Sunday School. The children spoke well on the resurrection and meaning of Easter. Some heavenly songs were sung, and a short talk was made to parents on training children to love and work for the Master by the writer, Bessie E. Scruggs. Then nine of the Sunday School children from seven to eighteen years came forward and named the divisions and books of the Bible and gave the number of chapters, for which Brother B. J. Nicholson awarded each a dollar for their loyalty to the Sunday School. Sister Heath brought a wonderful message on "Enticing." Oh it was wonderful how our hearts were touched. The large church was packed and at times I don't think there was a dry eye. Two were reclaimed. We had a good dinner on the ground. Everybody enjoyed it. Brother Heath spoke on "Tithes and Offerings" and all the saints promised to measure up to the standard, and, folks, it doesn't seem like the same place over here. The meeting closed Sunday night. We observed the Lord's Supper and washed feet. Then Bro. Scruggs, the pastor, took Brother Oscar Shook the good Methodist steward, and his wife into the Church of God. The old ship of Zion is still sailing and will take us home to glory.—A humble sister, Bessie E. Scruggs.

Boy Healed of T. B.

CLARKRANGE, Tenn. — I praise God this morning because He saved me, and for the Holy Ghost. I want to go all the way with Jesus. Oh, I love Him so. He has done so much for me. I can never praise Him enough for what He has done for me. A year ago last Christmas He healed my boy. When four doctors gave him up to die, they said he had T. B. and they could do nothing for him, that he would not last long, only a few days. They said one of his lungs was gone and the other one was going fast as it could. I had been praying for him all the time, so I just kept holding on to God. All of his sisters and all the saints were praying for him. He was in sin too and I could not give him up in sin. We never stopped praying and the Lord healed him. I know He did. He is well now and works every day and is saved. Oh, how could I forget a Savior like this! I praise and thank Him for saving his soul. That's worth all this world to me.

Pray for my son who is still in sin. I know God can save all who trust Him. Pray for me that I will always stay in the will of God. — Anna Collins.

9 Saved, 7 Sanctified, 8 Filled With Holy Ghost

RAVENNA, Ky. — I praise the Lord this evening for what He has done for me. He saved me from the world and its pleasures. I have belonged to the Church of God for four years and I love it better every day. The Lord impressed me to have a meeting at Doe Creek mountain. It started March 10th and closed March 22nd. It was a good meeting. The second night two were saved, two sanctified and one received the Holy Ghost. I knew then that God was leading the meeting. Bro. Harwood, our pastor at Ravenna, came and preached three or four nights for us. The people surely did like to hear him preach. Nine were saved, seven sanctified and eight received the Holy Ghost during the twelve nights meeting. We surely want to thank God for this meeting and for the good saints who prayed for me at Doe Creek mountain. I ask the saints everywhere to pray for me that I will always stay humble before the Lord and go where He wants me to go. — Your brother in the Lord, Walter Sparks.

but I prayed and fasted and held on to God. The walls began to fall in and I didn't let rain. The power fell and many were blessed. Six were saved and sanctified, one filled with the Holy Ghost and one came into the church. Let us all pray for Seneca. There are some good people over there and some hungry people. Your sister in the battle for Jesus, Pauline Jackson, South Spring St., Wallaha, S. C.

THE LORD IS BLESSING IN TENNESSEE

I want to praise the Lord through the Evangel for His many blessings to me, and because He is still blessing in Tennessee. Good reports are coming in from different places of good meetings, increases in Sunday Schools, and good reports of the Young Peoples' Endeavor, all of which we praise the Lord for. We have been having some good district conventions which have encouraged our hearts, and we are glad to see that the ministers are zealous, and are working hard to make the cause of the Lord prosper.

We are just back from a trip to the eastern part of the state where we attended a district convention at Bristol. We found the saints encouraged, and the Lord is blessing in that part of the state. Brother Ed Johnson is the District Overseer and pastor at Bristol, and I want to say that he is a real worker for God. They have a new brick veneer church building almost complete located near the main street of the town, and they have a fine congregation every service, and many times numbers are turned away for lack of room. We have good prospects for a church soon in Kingsport, which is a thriving town twenty-five miles from Bristol. There are several Church of God members living there now, and two ministers, so we are expecting a good work there in a short time. Everyone who reads this please pray that the Lord will help us get a work in Kingsport soon.

All please pray for me, as I have had a severe test in my body, and especially with my throat, which hinders me quite a deal in my work. Pray that the Lord will completely heal my throat, and also a cough. Pray that the Lord will give us many souls this year in Tennessee.—Yours in His service, H. N. Scoggins, Overseer of Tennessee.

20 Saved, 17 Sanctified, 21 Receive Holy Ghost

COCOANUT GROVE, Fla. — Surely we can say it was a wonderful time in Cocoonut Grove. I am truly glad to report victory over sin and the devil in one more good revival. We had a wonderful time in the revival that has just closed. Tho' the devil fought, the victory came just the same. We came out victorious by the help of the Lord. It was an old time, pentecostal, soul stirring revival for which we praise the Lord.

We started the meeting with Bro. W. M. Rumler, pastor of the Church of God in Miami, doing the preaching. The Lord was with him in giving out the Word. Most of the time he seemed to have the anointing from the Lord & preached without fear or compromising. Of course this stirred the devil. Brother Rumler took sick on Friday. It looked as if he would die but the Lord had mercy and he was back to the church on Tuesday ready for the fight again. During this time, Brother H. L. Chesser, our pastor did the preaching. On Sunday night the Lord especially helped him to preach on the subject of Hell. When the altar call was given men, women, boys and girls came without delay seeking God. It was a wonderful sight to behold so many in the altar at one time crying to God. Most of them were grown people. Four were saved and two received the Holy Ghost.

During the meeting twenty were saved, seventeen sanctified and twenty-one received the baptism of the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking with other tongues. We are glad we can add that phrase, speaking with other tongues. Some say they get the Holy Ghost and do not speak with tongues but we are glad for the Holy Ghost that can speak for Himself when He comes just as the Scriptures teach. Let Him come in and listen to Him speak. Twenty-four were baptized in water. This was beautiful. One man objected to his wife being baptized, but she was baptized tho' he was real mad. The Lord blessed and the people shouted. We are glad for the people who will stand for God in spite of the devil.

Last Sunday night eleven came in the church and we are looking for others to follow as soon as they have time to consider what the Church of God really is and stands for. After receiving them in the church we had Communion and feet washing. Of course you know what happens when we wash the saints' feet. We are glad because we are taking the whole Bible. We always get a blessing when we obey God and His Word.

We are glad our pastor preaches the whole truth, neither adding to or taking from, fearing not respecting no man. Our Young Peoples' Endeavor is getting along fine. I am glad because we as young people see the need of serving God when we are young. Some wait until they are old and can't do much for the Lord. We certainly thank the Lord for our young people. We are expecting greater things from the Lord yet. We know if we hold on in faith we will receive a crown at the end of the way. Today is the day of salvation. Jesus is coming soon. Pray for us that we will always be found in God's will and ready when He comes.—Ethel Lee Lowery.

THE CHILD EVANGELIST

Helen A. Smith
608 S. Division St., Orlando, Fla.

I have just answered a request in the Evangel for my address. Perhaps there are many more who desire this information. I am known as the child evangelist, eleven years of age, born in Jacksonville, Fla. March 16, 1919. I will give my testimony that you may know how the Lord blessed me and why I am The Little Girl Evangelist.

When I was three years old my mother took me to the People's Mission, 246 Myrtle Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y. My mother was a member of this mission and took me to the meeting each time. You can judge by my age that I was only a little child, too small in the eyes of the world to know anything about salvation, but I knew that I wanted to be saved. When the altar call was given I rushed to the altar and began to pray in my own little way, for the Lord to save me. But the saints who were praying for those at the altar passed me by and would not pray for me because they thought I was too little and did not know what I was doing. I returned to my mother and wept bitterly because they would not pray for me. Mother could not quiet me and a member of the mission, Brother Harris, came to mother and asked what was the matter with Helen. Mother said that Sister Greer would not pray for her while she was at the altar. Brother Harris went immediately to Sister Greer at the rear of the mission and when I saw Sister Greer coming I jumped from my mother's arms and rushed to the altar. Then Sister Greer prayed for me. Now I know the Lord saved me then for I had the witness in my heart.

Dear mothers and fathers, please don't keep your little children from going to the altar, believing they are too small. See what Jesus says in St. Luke 18:15-17. "And they brought unto him, also infants that he would touch them; but when his disciples saw it they rebuked them." Those rebuking disciples are representing the mothers and fathers and others who won't permit little children to go to the altar and other places of prayer. Do not rebuke them. Jesus did not like for the disciples to rebuke the little children, neither does He want us to, for we are His disciples if we follow Him. Now listen what Jesus said in the 16th verse, "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God." V. 17, "Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child shall in no wise enter therein."

Dear readers, you can't enter into the kingdom of heaven unless you become as a little child, the same as I am now, for I was born of the world but when I was three years old I was born again, not of the world, but of the Spirit. I know nothing of moving pictures, dance halls and other places where Christians do not go. Nicodemus knew about the world and did not try to forget it, that is why Jesus said to him, "Verily, verily I say unto you Except a man be born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." You must be born of water and of the Spirit. Repent of your sins and be baptized in water, then receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Without the Spirit of Christ in you it will be impossible to enter into the kingdom of heaven.

When I was five years of age I began to preach the gospel. I began to tell the sweet story of Jesus at the Franklin monument near the foot of the great Brooklyn bridge in New York City. From there on I preached in most of the churches in New York, Brooklyn and nearby cities. They began to call me into the churches at the age of 7. At the age of five, mother & I did mostly street work. I have won many souls for Jesus during my ministry and by His help I intend to go on and on. I received the baptism of the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4, with the evidence of speaking in tongues, when I was five years old. This happened in our humble little front room where we were having Saturday night prayer meetings. Mother, dad, two brothers and myself were the only ones praying when the power knocked me down. I got up and the power knocked me over again. I got up once more but when the power knocked me down the third time I stayed there. When I stood to my feet again I was speaking in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. There the Lord called me to preach the gospel and I obeyed. Dear saints, pray for me. In this way you can help me bring the little lost lambs to Jesus. May the grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.

WE WILL REAP IF WE FAINT NOT

PENSACOLA, Fla. — I praise the Lord this morning for the way He is blessing us here. We have just closed a two weeks' meeting. Brother and Sister Newman did the preaching. The Lord surely was with us all thru every service. Six were saved, two sanctified, one received the Holy Ghost, seven were baptized in water, and two were received into the church. Our little church is growing all the time. We had the sweetest Easter service I ever witnessed. If we ever have a

Maryland Convention a Success

EASTON, Md.—On Thursday, April 13, the folks began to gather in Cambridge from different parts of the state for the opening service of our state convention. This was a wonderful time for those present. The Lord surely set His approval on the first service by baptizing one sister who had been tarrying for quite a while with the Holy Ghost.

The service began Friday morning at 9:00 with songs and prayers. The assembly was opened by Brother Marine, state overseer. He gave a good talk on the importance of the assembly. He was at his post of duty and carried the program thru successfully. The people in Maryland love their state overseer and feel he has done his best to advance the cause of Christ in this state.

Many hearts were made glad to have our General Overseer, Brother Latimer, with us, this being the first time he had ever visited the beautiful state of Maryland. He was well pleased with the way the work was progressing. He surely preached some wonderful messages under the power of the Holy Ghost. He preached from the chart, showing us that we are surely living in the last days, exhorting us to watch and pray that we might be able to escape all these things that are coming to pass and be able to stand before the Son of man. Many souls fell in the altar weeping their way thru to God. His message on the baptism of the Holy Ghost was wonderful. The presence of the Lord came down in our midst. God surely set His seal upon this message.

It seemed that every minister was at his best and the power of the Holy Ghost accompanied each message. Sister E. R. Williams gave us a good talk on "Bible Adorning." Brother D. E. Frock made us feel that we needed to get back to the power of the early church as he preached on "Power." Sister Apple's message on "Prayer" was enjoyed by all. Sister Clara Mullikin spoke on the subject of "The Secret of Overcoming." The thought she presented was in order to be a real overcomer we must keep consecrated and be obedient. Brother Ruark in his message on "Loyalty" emphasized that we must be loyal on every line to make a success in the Christian life. Brother Abbott spoke on "Holiness," saying that those professing holiness should live holy lives and lift up a standard for the people in these evil days. Sister Ethel Frock made plain that we must deny ourselves and take up the cross and follow Jesus to be a real disciple of the Lord, in her talk on "Self-denial." Brother Stirk was well equipped for his subject "Obedience," using his own experience of the way the Lord had been leading him. Brother Milligan spoke on the "Bible Church." He made it clear that there is a Bible church and God is leading His people into it. Brother Walker gave us many good thoughts on "Unity, Fellowship, and Its Results." Brother H. O. Harris spoke on "The Self-supporting Church and Its Advantages." It will grow in number and advance spiritually and be able to help the cause of Christ in other places. Brother T. W. Harmon gave a good message on "Watchfulness." We were glad to have Brother Poteat from Pennsylvania with us. He delivered a good message on "Tithing."

We would not forget our colored brothers and sisters in the state of Maryland. We were glad to have them with us and surely enjoyed the messages given by Brother Askins and Brother Shelton.

Surely we will never forget how the Lord blessed in this convention. To say it was a success would be putting it mild. It was beyond our expectation. The special music and singing was enjoyed by all. The power fell, the saints shouted, danced, talked in tongues. We all left feeling good in our souls with a greater zeal to work for God than ever before. We give each one a hearty welcome to attend our next convention if Jesus tarries. May the Lord bless each one.—Mrs. Carl Milligan.

better time, it will be when we get to heaven. The power fell so strong people were shouting and dancing all over the house. It was sweet to behold. Sunday night we observed the Lord's Supper and feet washing. The Lord met with us again. Others who were not members of this church came and worshipped with us. There was such sweet fellowship and unity. It brings to my mind the scripture that says, Behold, how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity. The enemy said there could never be any good done here but praise God I am so glad the Bible says he is a liar and the father of it. The scripture that says we will reap in due season if we faint not is so precious to my soul. I know the Word says men ought always to pray and not faint. It surely has been a miracle how the Lord has answered prayer here and brought things to pass. I feel more determined than ever before in life to press on and do more for the Lord. Everyone who reads this please pray for me that I'll do His will. —A sister in the Lord, Mrs. W. M. Coon, 608 E. Chase St.

Obituaries

RUSSELL

On April 18, 1930 the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Russell and claimed for its victim their daughter, Miss Ruby Russell. She was not a member of the Church of God but she was a faithful Christian. She leaves to mourn her departure a father, mother, two brothers, one sister and a host of relatives besides other loving friends. — Her aunt who loved her, Mrs. Mary Pent, Key West, Fla.

McAbee

On April 14 at 3:30 p. m. the death angel visited the home of my mother and took our precious grandmother, Sarah McAbee, age sixty-eight years. She was saved, sanctified, baptized with the Holy Ghost and belonged to the Church of God at Greenville, S. C. Her funeral was conducted by her pastor, Brother Zeno Sharp and her body was laid to rest in the Ware Shoals cemetery to await the resurrection morning. — Written by one who loved her, her grandson, C. E. McAbee, 3 Ballinger St., Walhalla, S. C.

MAGEE

On May 6 the dear Lord walked down thru His earthly garden gathering flowers for heaven and took from our midst one of the most beautiful buds our eyes have ever seen, little Mary Jean Magee, age one year, and two months. She was the daughter of Brother and Sister H. B. Magee, our pastor. Alas was done that loving hands could do. Many earnest prayers were sent up in her behalf because they fully trusted the Lord as their physician. She is survived by her parents, two brothers, four sisters, and a host of relatives and friends. The funeral service was conducted by Brother Hall, Brother Ellis, and Brother Preston. The body was laid to rest in the Four Mile cemetery. — One who loved her, Rena Cobb, Jacksonville, Ala.

HOPKINS

On April 1, 1930 the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gee Hopkins and claimed our little child, Donnie Fay. She was one month and three weeks of age. She was sick only five days with indigestion. Our little babe was a sweet one and was loved by everyone who saw her. Her little body was laid to rest in the Asbury cemetery to await the coming of the Lord. God in His wisdom knows all things and does all things well. Why He took our little one is something we cannot tell. — Her brokenhearted mother and father.

SELLARS

The death angel visited the home of Mrs. Sellars March 22, 1930 and took her husband, George Sellars, home to be with Jesus. He leaves to mourn a wife, three girls, three boys, 48 grandchildren, 27 great grandchildren. He was seventy-five years of age. His funeral was conducted by his pastor, Brother Dave Creft. We loved him but Jesus loved him best. We hope to meet him where we will not have to part any more. — One who loved him dearly, his granddaughter, Mrs. Bertha Triplett, Rt. 2, Newell, Ala.

TEASTER

On May 2 the death angel visited our home and claimed our darling baby, Edis Mere, four weeks old. She was buried by the side of her mother. She leaves a father, two brothers and two sisters. — Her father, Albert Teaster, Speedwell, N. C.

Sleep on little darling, till that great morning
When we will meet you again.

DAILEY

On April 21, 1930 the death angel claimed for its victim our darling mother, Mrs. Ella Dailey, age seventy-two years, eleven months and twenty days. She had been in bad health for a long time but always bore her suffering without complaining. She was a member of the Church of God, filled with the Holy Ghost, for many times have we heard her speak in other tongues. It was sad to have to give our mother up but we know she has gone to rest, where no suffering and death can ever come. She was loved by all who knew her. The bereaved are husband, three sons, three daughters and about thirty-five grandchildren. One son preceded her to the home above six months ago, he being ready to go. We heard her praise the Lord amid her grief and say she would soon go to meet him. A few days before she died she admonished her unsaved boys to turn to Jesus and live for Him. Among the last words spoken she said, I will soon be at home, and there is a better day coming. We know that mother has gone to the place where there will be joy and peace always and we are hoping to meet her some sweet day in the land where flowers bloom forever. She will be sadly missed by all of us. The funeral was conducted by Glover P. Ledford and she was laid to rest in the Moss cemetery. — Her heartbroken daughter, Emma Hoffmann.

RUSSELL

On April 21, 1930 the death angel

visited the home of Brother John A. Russell and claimed him in death. Brother Russell was seventy-one years old. He became a Christian early in life and was a member with the Methodist people for several years, then a minister with the Baptist people, and about twenty years ago he received the baptism of the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking with other tongues, and became a member of the Church of God at Tellico Plains, Tenn. of which he was assistant pastor. He leaves a wife, several children, sisters, brothers, and a host of other relatives and friends to mourn his death.

A precious one from us has gone,
A voice we loved is stilled,
A place is vacant in the church at
Tellico Plains
That never can be filled.

Weep not, loved ones, for some day
We hope to meet him and take him by
his hand

And have a grand reunion
Just over in the Glory Land. — His
pastor and wife, Mr. and Mrs. H. W.
Williams.

God Has Protected And Cared For Us

Dear saints, I feel that some praise for God's protection and goodness to my family is due Him thru our good Evangel. We truly have been beaten about by old Satan, but thank God He has given us grace to stand.

When we were called to Canada my heart shrank within me for I never in all my life had any desire to see this country, however, God made me willing right away and I am still willing, trying to do my little bit here on P. E. Island. I have spent three summers and two winters here. Several places and homes are now open and waiting for Church of God workers. Some of these people are nearly one hundred miles from our mission and are asking us to come back to them, but for the lack of a way of conveyance we are unable to reach these places.

When we left Portland, Me. where we had been working in missions, we had to buy an old thirty-five dollar Dodge and patch it up. It worked pretty good but needs much repairing. We had five dollars when we left Portland, but on our way we found pentecostal people where we held a meeting for a week. Brother and Sister Bloomingdale were with us and about four hundred people came out at one service. The offering received there brought us to the island.

Some of the Christian people didn't much like us and hoped we would get starved out. Though they had plenty of good home-raised wheat we have had to go without bread two weeks at a time. I just said, "I came here to live or die for Jesus, whichever way He can get glory, and will stay till He says 'Enough'." One dear sister had received the Holy Ghost and we had some good meetings in her home where more souls were tarrying and the power of God came and revived us so much. Last summer a man near Richmond gave us the use of a house, supplied us with wood, flour, potatoes and milk. Many people came out and God blessed our labor there. They are now looking forward to good shepherds to come and feed them.

As winter came on God called us to Charlottetown, capital and largest city of P. E. I. About two thirds of the population are Catholics. The people are rich and proud. Some say we better not say anything about the second coming of Jesus, divine healing or speaking in tongues here in this city, but of course we keep right on just the same. Hardly any are even saved, just join some place of worship. We always have about two hundred out to street service but pastors have warned folks to stay away from us, so only few come inside.

We truly do praise God for feeding us and keeping us well. We never know where the next fuel or food is to come from, as all these needs have been supplied by some little offering from the friends in the States or in other unexpected ways. Dear ones, I don't feel worthy of all God's goodness to me. We all need your prayers. If you would only see as we do, how much the Church of God is needed in these dark places, you would never hesitate to help your every little bit. Did you know one penny a day from each laymember, or even a nickel a week, would do wonders for the missionary fund? We are called to other places. You listen good and see if God is calling you here. You will find some good people on P. E. I. and when you see them you will wonder why they never before heard about the Church of God and the good blessings they need so much. Where we are now we have no one to fellowship with except one sister two miles out. We are so hungry to get to a good old Wtmauma camp meeting once more. Would be glad to hear from any one, especially from our home church in Manatee, Fla. May God bless you every one. — Your sister in Jesus, Mrs. J. H. Dor-

Appetites of Men

J. C. Vore

We are living in a day when the appetites or desires of men are being manifested in no uncertain way. Speaking of food, men invariably eat whatever their appetite craves if they can get it. I remember of walking through a pasture once when a small boy and seeing a large bird alight down upon the carcass of an old dead horse. I asked my father who was with me what it was and why it lit there. He told me the best he could what buzzards were and why they eat such things, but in the ignorance of youth I wondered why they chose such food for their noonday repast.

The time came in later life that I was made to more thoroughly understand why men partake of certain things in this world. The buzzard was only answering the call of its natural appetite. It was a buzzard and was therefore endowed with a buzzard nature. On every side of us we can see daily a countless host of people whom God has created to love and serve Him, running after the things their appetites crave, some to the poolroom or bowling alleys, some on their way to the movies (and perhaps on the Sabbath too), others to the circus or ball games, bridge party or dance hall.

When God made man He endowed him with certain very necessary natural desires such as hunger and thirst and made him able to distinguish between heat and cold, sweet and sour, light and darkness and many other things very needful to him. Man was made in the very image of God himself and had everything he needed and nothing he did not need.

Never in all my life did I see an innocent little lamb that capers and frolics around in green pastures feeding upon buzzard's food. The reason is twofold. In the first place, it is a lamb and has a lamb's nature which was given to it by the same God who supplies it with clean, wholesome food. Then it being a lamb and not a buzzard, it's appetite is different and therefore craves food for lambs. Neither will you see God's little lambs (a name given to His children in the Word of God) feasting upon the carrion of this old world, for by their natures having been changed by the blood, they have an appetite that craves something that will from time to time satisfy the soul of man.

Satan was not satisfied with the way God made and left man in the garden of Eden, so in his attempt to add some "finishing touches" that man might be a little more to the liking of his Satanic majesty, he depraved his God-given nature, corrupted his appetite and sowed a rebellious spirit of disobedience in his heart which shortly robbed him of his image of God and pulled him down from that lofty plane where God had placed him and drove him out of the garden of Eden. Consequently we see the teeming millions of descendants of Adam and Eve in this age afflicted with the same depraved nature and debauched appetites and feasting upon the husk and chaff of a world that knows not God and hates "His own."

Of all the things that God has made, man would indeed be the most miserable and worthless had He not, in His infinite wisdom and mercy, provided and perfected a way for changing the appetites of mankind. For nearly thirty years I too looked to the unsatisfying things of earth for soul rest but to my utter disappointment I failed to find it. One night when I came home from a protracted meeting wife told me that she had felt that would be the night I would go to the altar, but I did not go. Before I went to bed I knelt at my bedside and told God the best I could, that being the first time I had ever prayed, that I was tired of sin and wanted to live for Him. I did not feel much better. I went to sleep and slept a troubled sleep and when I awoke the next morning I dropped on my knees and told God how sorry I was for staying away from Him so long. I arose and told wife I felt better. I kept praying while she got my breakfast and then started to work. It seemed that a real spirit of prayer had gotten hold on me and all of a sudden when I was about a hundred yards from the house the glory of God came down and flooded my soul with that sweet soul food that I had looked in the wrong place to find. The heavens and earth all lighted up and it seemed to me I was walking several feet above the ground. The blood had come to my rescue and changed my appetite. Today, fifteen years later, my soul is still crying out to God for more of Him and the greatest desire of my heart is to see precious, eternity bound souls saved and filled with His Spirit and THAT THE CHURCH OF GOD MAY EVER BE A REAL PRAISE IN THE EARTH.

Another Good Meeting At Cawood, Ky

Just closed a revival at Cawood, Ky. with happy Tom Brooks and the pastor in charge. The great power of God fell from the beginning. About seventeen claimed to get saved, six sanctified, five received the baptism of the

In God Have I Put My Trust

LIVE OAK, Fla.—I would like to say a few words about the gracious revival that has just closed at the Church of God at Salem. Brother L. G. Rouse was with us about three weeks. He surely preached the Word in its purity and fullness.

The church was edified and encouraged. As well as I know eleven were saved, six sanctified, four received the Holy Ghost, six were baptized in water and are to come in the church soon. One backslider was reclaimed. Many sick were healed. Although husband and I could not attend often it was a real feast of good things from the dear Lord's table.

I have trusted the Lord for both soul and body for nearly nine years. Nearly three years ago I was in an auto accident and came out with a large ugly gash on my forehead and between my eyes. The side of my nose was broken and my neck made stiff so that I could not look up over my head. Neither could I hold my head long in the same position, such as in sewing on the machine, without taking the headache. My nose and head soon healed but my neck was continually giving me trouble. Although I was still holding on to God, several insisted that I have a chiropractor treat me as they feared I would become paralyzed from the effects. I told them no, that I would continue to trust the Lord. When I went to the first healing service Brother Rouse prayed for me and my neck was completely healed. I was also healed of other troubles for which I give God the praise. It is sweet to trust in Jesus.

Brother Rouse's labors among us will long be remembered. He surely has power with God because he lives so close to Him.

Pray for the Church of God at Salem. The membership is mostly women and children. The building needs to be enlarged and recovered as we just have an old schoolhouse. Pray that means will be provided to at least recover it and that the saints grow in grace. Pray for my unsaved children to get right with God. Pray for me and my dear old companion to stand true and go on—with the dear Lord. We find many hard places but thanks be to Jesus His grace is sufficient. — Yours in Jesus' dear name, Mrs. L. W. Johnson.

Gained Some Good Material

OMAHA, Ark. — We started a revival here some two weeks ago. We had a very hard fight against Satan and sin but God is giving us the victory. Five have been saved and five saved and sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. Thank God! The end is not yet. A good feature of this is that every one of the ten are grown men and women, real material, just what we need at Omaha. We had all day service at our little church here Easter, and dinner on the ground. Every one seemed to enjoy themselves. We had special Sunday School exercises. Sinners and backsliders were made to weep when the children marched to the rostrum and recited their recitations. Pray much for us. — Humbly yours, L. L. Milam, Bx. 73.

Bring The Children To Sunday School

BROWNFIELD, Tex. — We are thanking God for the Sunday School convention at Brownfield the 13th of April. It was the first one we had had on the plains. We were sorry that Lubbock, Slaton and Maccenny were not represented. We have a good Sunday School. Of course it could be better. I like Sunday School because it is the place to learn the Word of God. The convention was good because the Holy Ghost was there.

Fathers and mothers, how are you bringing your children up? Prov. 22:6 says, "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Teach them in your home and bring them to Sunday School so they will know the way. Jer. 6:16 says, "Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way." Get in Sunday School and see if it doesn't lead you in the great Church of God.

We have about ninety enrolled, have about thirty-five children besides the young girls and boys. We have a penny march and birthday offering which goes to the orphans. Glory to God for the Church of God Sunday School. "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Phil. 4:13. Brother Rush was with us and brought a good message on "Come and let us reason together." Brother John Baker (not a member of the church) spoke a few words on children's obedience to parents. Sister Buchanan, Brother Marvin Smith and Brother Mayfield made short talks. Brother Eason, our pastor, preached a good sermon on "The whole duty of man." The power of God was felt. — Your brother in Christ, A. U. McKinney.

Holy Ghost, eight came into the church and eight were baptized in water. The crowd was so large we had to get on the outside of the house, but we had a fine place and it well lighted all around. — B. H. Enix, pastor.

Mission Department

Material for this Department should be mailed to E. L. Simmons, Mission Secretary, Christopher, Ill.

4th SUNDAY IN MAY MISSION RALLY DAY

In harmony with an act of the 24th Annual Assembly, the Mission Board urges that each local church observe the 4th Sunday in May as a special Rally Day for missions. Churches in Bahama and Jamaica are requested to observe the same in special prayer. Please don't forget.

E. L. Simmons, Mission Sec.

"GO YE INTO ALL THE WORLD"

Mark 16:15

If the Church of God lives up to the commission given unto her by our Savior, she must be a missionary church. The early church leaders were filled with missionary zeal, and even though it cost many of them their earthly lives, they carried the gospel to the then known world. Can this be done today? Yes, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day and for ever" is as true now as ever.

"HOW SHALL THEY PREACH, EXCEPT THEY BE SENT?"

Here are questions for us: How can those of foreign lands believe, having never heard? How can they hear without a preacher? How shall they preach, except they be sent? And how can they be sent unless the money is given for that purpose? Some one answer.

YOUNG MAN INTERESTED IN MISSIONS

Brother Lonnie Shull, age seventeen, of New Brooklyn, S. C., who seems to be greatly interested in missions, has composed and sent to the missionary department the following poem:

I AM A DEBTOR

"I am a debtor," said St. Paul. When he felt the missionary zeal. We too, then, are debtors one and all, To lost souls in the foreign field.

Jesus came all the way from Heaven To redeem a lost and fallen race; His dear life was freely given For the people of every place.

Some Who Are Rooted And Grounded In The Word

AVON PARK, Fla. — I am glad I can report victory in my soul to-day. I praise the dear Lord for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost seven years ago and it holds good to-day. I thank Him for the revival that has just closed at this place. Brother G. G. Prince did most of the preaching. The Lord surely did bless. Of course Satan got on his job and did his best but the dear Lord blessed our souls. I believe the Lord sent Bro. Prince to this place. I am glad because there are some here who stand fully rooted and grounded in the pure Word of God. There were some saved, some sanctified and six came into the Church. I can't tell the good that was done. Sometimes the power would fall and the saints would shout and dance and talk in tongues. There are some here who stand for the Church of God. It takes those who will stand for the whole Word of God, even paying tithes and divine healing, to stand for the Church. — Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Bertha Crutchfield.

Heard, Believed, And Obeyed

EASTON, Md.—I have never written to this fine paper before. I feel like praising God this afternoon for what He has done in our city. The Church of God is shining here. We have only had this church set in order about eight months. We have a nice church building here and a large lot. We have thirty-six members and some more ready to come in. We have an humble man of God for our pastor, Brother Carl Milligan and wife. He preaches the Bible from Genesis to Revelation and stands foursquare for the church and all of her teachings.

We enjoyed a visit from our General Overseer, Brother S. W. Latimer. We had good interest and seekers at the altar. We have a loyal band of saints here.

I am saved, sanctified, and the blessed Holy Ghost abides. God is my healer. He has healed my children and me many times. I am so glad I saw the real plan of salvation and the great Church of God. I was in the Methodist church six years but I was hungry for more of God and His Word. Two weeks after I heard the Word preached and rightly divided I had the blessing. Praise the Lord. I have had more peace and joy in the eight months than I have had the Holy Ghost than in all my life before. I am encouraged to help press the battle on in Jesus' dear name.—Your sister under the blood, Lula M. Burt.

SPECIAL NOTICE

There will be a revival meeting beginning at E. Chattanooga Church of God May 25 conducted by Zeno C. Tharp.—E. M. Ellis, pastor.

Now do you remember His last command? Does it burn within your heart? — Go preach to the people of every land— Are you sure then you're doing your part?

In dark lands across the waves Souls are dying every hour, One by one filling Christless graves, Knowing nothing of His saving power.

They know nothing of our fathers' God, The One we love so well; Thus their bodies go beneath the sod, And whither their souls? Can you tell?

We say we are in the grand old way Which the apostles long ago have trod; Each Christian was a missionary then, Awake to work, O Church of God!

Go preach the gospel to all the world, To every tribe of men; Let the Church of God her banner wave, Lo! He is with you to the end.

If you can't go, then you should send, Give to the cause, and pray; You may help a dying soul to win, And wear a crown at the end of the way.

A DEAD CHURCH

Some one tells the story of an artist who was once asked to paint a picture of a decaying church. To the astonishment of many he did not put upon the canvas an old tottering ruin, but a stately building of modern grandeur. At the entrance was an offering plate of elaborate design, for the offerings of fashionable worshippers. But—and here the artist's idea of a decaying church was made known—right above the offering plate there hung a square box bearing the legend, "For foreign missions," and right over the slot through which contributions should have gone he had painted a huge cobweb!

C. of G. Y. P. E. Convention

DESDEMONA, Texas. — Our C. of G. Y. P. E. was organized January 23, 1930 with twelve members. It has kept steadily climbing up to twenty-five members. This includes the active, inactive, and junior members.

On March 30, 1930 the Ranger District of the C. of G. Y. P. E. gathered at Desdemona for a real convention and a blessing from the Lord. We did not miss our purpose for the Lord wonderfully blessed us. If anyone who was present missed a blessing it was his or her own fault.

It made my heart rejoice to see so many young people taking a bold stand for Jesus. It really means something for the younger generation to live for Jesus because there is so much to lure them off into the dark, sinful ways of the world. How I praise my Saviour for His mighty keeping power. The way grows better all the time. Glory to God!

Besides the feast at the Lord's table, we had a wonderful dinner. Our state superintendent of the young people, Brother Jack Cockerell, was present. Also our district superintendent was present. Brother Roberts is our district superintendent and I believe he will be a good one. He takes so much interest in the young people.

Ranger and Strawn gave their program before noon. They were enjoyed. Desdemona gave her program after noon and then we had the business meeting. It made me feel more determined to live for Jesus after seeing so many young people who were walking in the straight and narrow way. We are proud of our young people in the Ranger District. I believe they will rise and shine for Jesus. Pray for us. —Your sister in Christ, Captola Browning, Vice Pres.

I AM HAPPY

CARIO, Ga. — I want to tell how the Lord has blessed us at Concord. Brother Hipps has done some wonderful work here. Twenty-two have received the Holy Ghost, two of them were my boys and I am so happy. I have been in this good Bible way for about nine years. I am saved, sanctified and have the good Holy Ghost. I mean to make heaven my home by the help of the Lord. Pray for my son and his wife. They are seeking this blessing. Pray for my family to come this way before it is too late, also pray for our meeting at Concord. We have a nice Sunday School at this place, also good prayer meeting every week. We all love our pastor and family. Brother J. A. Hipps and his wife are people of God. Brother Hipps baptized twenty on Easter Sunday. Twenty-four came into the Church of God. The Lord has wonderfully blessed us. — Your sister in the Lord, Mary Jenkins, Rt. 7.